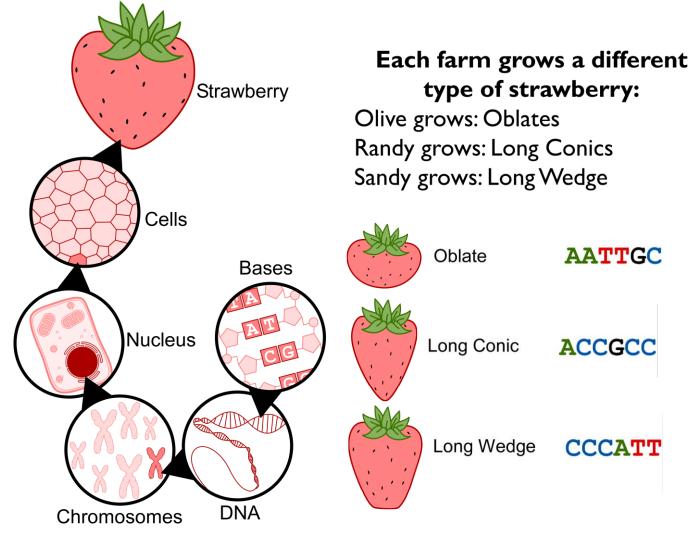
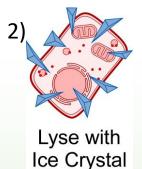
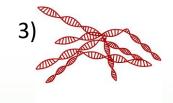


How much DNA is in a Strawberry?









Precipitate DNA

4) CCCATTTTCCGC
GTTGCCGGCCAT
CCGGTTACCGCC

Sequence DNA



DNA Extraction from Strawberries: Materials

Materials:

Frozen Strawberries (2-3 strawberries)



- 50mL (~1/4 cup) Rubbing Alcohol (ex. 70% Isopropanol Alcohol)
- 25mL (~1/8 cup) Fresh Pineapple
- Large sandwich sized ziploc bag
- Cheesecloth or coffee filter
- Tumbler-like drinking glass (or plastic cup)
- Tall glass vessel (like a shot glass)
- Toothpick
- Gloves for less mess (optional)











DNA Extraction from Strawberries: Protocol

Make sure to have an adult do the experiment with you!

- 1. Freeze 2-3 strawberries the night before the experiment.
- 2. Gather all materials.
 - Measure out ~1/4 cup of rubbing alcohol.
 - Measure out ~1/8 cup of fresh pineapple juice.
- 3. Place frozen strawberries in the Ziploc bag.
- 4. Pour in ~1/8 cup of pineapple juice into the Ziploc bag.
- 5. Use your hand to squish the strawberry and pineapple together to thoroughly combine.
- Place the cheesecloth or coffee filter over the container to strain the strawberry/pineapple solution.
- Thoroughly strain the strawberry/pineapple solution into the container.
 - Use your hands to squish all the juice out into the container.
- 8. Pour the strained strawberry/pineapple solution into the tall reaction vessel.
- 9. Slowly and carefully add the rubbing alcohol to the juice solution.
- 10. Let sit for 3-5 minutes.
- 11. DNA will accumulate at the top of the tall reaction vessel. Use a toothpick to take out the DNA.

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How much DNA is in the Strawberry?

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What DNA sequence was in my Strawberry?

Once DNA has been extracted, we can sequence the DNA to get a unique amino acid sequence. Every species of strawberry has a different DNA sequence. What type of strawberry did you extract?

Match your DNA sequence found in your participant packet with the type of strawberry below!

